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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed for filing is [X] an original patent application or, [] a continuation-in-part patent application by GUY M. CHEMLA and PETER SI-SHENG WANG for DISTRIBUTED SWITCH FABRIC ARBITRATION.

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[X]	3 sheet(s) of [X] formal [] informal drawing(s);
[X]	15 sheet(s) of specification/abstract;
[X]	6 sheet(s) of claims;
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Total Claims	27	MINUS 20 =	7	X \$18.00 =	126.		
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Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

First Named Inventor		Guy M. CHEMLA et al.	
Title	DISTRIBUTED SWITCH FABRIC ARBITRATION		
Atty Docket Number		3COM 3148-1	

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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